## WEST VALLEY CITY, UTAH

## **PROCLAMATION**

## A PROCLAMATION DECLARING FEBRUARY 2009 AS "WHITE RIBBON AGAINST PRONOGRAPHY" MONTH IN WEST VALLEY CITY.

**WHEREAS**, pornography presents youth with a false and distorted image of human sexuality, devoid of love, commitment and responsibility; and

WHEREAS, pornography leads both children and adults into destructive sexual addictions; and

WHEREAS, pornography contributes to the breakup of marriages; and

WHEREAS, much pornography features and promotes sexual violence and other irresponsible behavior in an era of increasing sexual violence and an epidemic of sexually transmitted diseases; and

**WHEREAS**, so-called "adult" pornography is commonly used by pedophiles to desensitize children and break down their resistance to sexual acts; and

**WHEREAS**, children molest other children in imitation of what they have seen in pornography; and

WHEREAS, there are Federal and State obscenity laws against hardcore pornography to protect public safety, public health, and public morality; and

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court has held that obscenity is not protected speech under the First Amendment, and has said that there is a right of the Nation and the State to "maintain a decent society"; and

WHEREAS, Americans throughout this great nation will be participating in White Ribbon Against Pornography Month in various ways to support the enforcement of obscenity laws;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Dennis J. Nordfelt, Mayor of West Valley City, do hereby proclaim the month of February 2009 as **White Ribbon Against Pornography Month** in West Valley City and call upon the entire community to observe and support this month with appropriate programs, activities and ceremonies.

Dated this	day of	, 2009
		WEST VALLEY CITY
		MAYOR
ATTEST:		
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